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1. EMBOFF ON MAY 6 DISCUSSED MOS TECHNOLOGY SALE WITH JESUS FRADES, DIRECTOR, ELECTROTECNICA MELIA, SA. FRADES SHOWED EMBOFF SEVERAL EXPAMPLES OF FIRM'S PRODUCTS WHICH ARE DISPLAYED IN COMPANY OFFICE ON F

BLOCK FROM EMBASSY. INCLUDED WERE THREE TYPES OF COMPUTER-LINKED BEVERAGE DISPENSERS, WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO AUTOMATICALLY DEBIT HOTEL GUEST'S BILL AT TIME HE REMOVES BEER OR SOFT DRINK FROM REFRIGERATOR. OTHER FEATURES OF SYSTEM (ALL BUILT INTO FRIG) ARE WAKE-UP ALARM, FIRE DETECTOR AND WARNING SYSTEM, INTERCOM WITH DESK, ROOM-CLEANING SYSTEM, HEAT AND AIR CONDITIONING CONTROLS.

2. FRADES EXPLAINED THAT SYSTEM CAN BE ALTERED TO SUIT SPECIAL NEEDS OF CUSTOMER. IN THIS REGARD HE RECOUNTED EXPERIENCE AT HOTEL EQUIPMEN T

SHOW IN PARIS ABOUT ONE YEAR AGO WHEN HE WAS APPROACHED BY SOVIET COMMERCIAL ATTACHE AND TWO SOVIET "BUSINESSMEN." SOVIET ASKED IF SYSTEM COULD BE ADAPTED TO "SPECIAL REQUIREMENT," SUCH AS INDICATLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INT PRECISELY WHEN GUESTS ENTERED AND LEFT ROOMS, AND WHEN ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT IN ROOM, PROVIDING COMPLETE, UPTO-MINUTE GUEST LIST, ETC. ALTHOUGH FRADES SAID HE INDICATED THAT SUCH CHANGES COULD BE MADE, AT CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE, SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET PURCHASED ANY EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, FRADES SAID THE FIRM HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SOVIET ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR 1980 OLYMPICS WITH AIM OF CONVINCING THEM THAT THIS LATEST STATE-OF-ART EQUIPMENT

IS NOT ONLY USEFUL BUT ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS OF GAMES. FRADES SAID THAT EFFORT IS BEING COORDINATED WITH, AND SOME ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY, HEWLETT-PACKARD IN SPAIN.

3. EMBOFF WAS TOLD THAT PRESENT ORDER FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS IS FOR EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED IN SPAIN HOTELS OR SOLD TO OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. FIRM IS TRYING TO BREAK INTO US MARKET BUT WITHOUT NOTABLE SUCCESS THUS FAR, EMBOFF EXPLAINED THAT NONE OF EQUIPMENT WITH LICENSED INPUTS SHOULD BE SOLD TO SOVIET UNION OR OTHER EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRY, WITHOUT USG CLEARANCE, WITH NO GUARANTEE THAT SUCH WOULD BE GRANTED. FRADES SAID HE WAS VERY FAMILIAR WITH EXPORT CONTROLS THROUGH CONTACTS WITH HEWLETT-PACKARD AND HAD NO INTENTION OF VIOLATING SAME.

4. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT LICENSE BE ISSUED FOR EXPORT LICENSE. WTDR BEING PREPARED. STABLER

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